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Zoology.

1129. In the Natural History Section of the Museum the newly acquired specimen of elephant calf (mounted entire) was displayed and it attracted a large number of visitors, especially the children.

Geology.

1130. The Geology Section was made use of by the students of Geology of the local colleges and specimens of high grade Manganese ore found in Sandur Hills were added to the Geology Section.

Arms and Armour.

1131. A very interesting set of Non-Service pattern weapons of Historical value captured during the World War II and other campaigns were received as a gift from the Defence Ministry through the Ministry of Education, Government of India. The specimens of Italian and Japanese Arms of II World War acquired during the year are a good addition for the comparative study of ancient and modern arms in the Section of Arms and Armour of the Museum.

Numismatics.

1132. A set of representative coins of the Sultans of Delhi were acquired from the Prince of Wales Museum, Bombay during the year. Five coins were presented to the Museum by the Director of Archives, Government of Bombay and fourteen coins were presented to the Museum by the Government of Uttara Pradesh.

Educational work.

1133. Guide lectures were continued as usual for the benefit of the school children. Eight thousand three hundred and eighty students accompanied by 191 teachers from 155 educational institutions from Bangalore and other parts of India were given facilities to visit the institution and go round the galleries. All facilities were extended to Research Scholars and Historians with available details.

Visitors.

1134. Besides, 3,46,752 visitors went round the gallery of the Museum and a good number of distinguished persons visited the Museum.

(v) Technical Education.

Sri Jayachamarajendra Occupational Institute, Bangalore.

1135. Applications for admission to the Institute were received from all over India and there was heavy rush for admission to the several courses.

1136. The number of students admitted during the year was 470 bringing the total strength to 850 as against 687 in the previous year. A good number of non-Mysoreans and refugees were also admitted in addition to those who were deputed from Government of India and other State Governments.

1137. The first, second and third year Diploma examinations under New Scheme and Certificate and Diploma examinations under Old Scheme were conducted as usual in May 1954 by the Central Board of Technical Examinations in Mysore, Bangalore.

1138. Apart from 130 Government Scholarships, there were two Ameerjan Scholarships. Several District Boards and Municipalities awarded Scholarships during the year.

1139. A large number of passed students of the Institute were absorbed in several industries and Government Departments.

1140. The total number of technical books in the Library at the end of the year was 5,894 and the number added during the year was 118.

1141. The Institute Hostel located in a private rented building continued to work satisfactorily. The Government of India have sanctioned an interest free loan of Rs. 2·00 lakhs for the construction of a hostel and efforts are being made to construct a building in the vicinity of the Institute.

1142. The various departments undertook private work.

1143. The Cine Photo Service Laboratory, the Radio Service Laboratory, the Auto Service Station, the Sound Recording Section and the Electrical and Welding Sections executed a number of Government and outside orders.

1144. The Progress of work in the construction of Vidhana Soudha was filmed by the Cine Photo Service Laboratory during the year.

1145. One hundred and thirty-five students were admitted to the Institute bringing the total strength to 244. Occupational Institute, Davangere.

1146. The number of scholarships awarded during the year was 65 including 10 merit scholarships, 30 back-ward, and 5 municipal scholarships.

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1147. The building of the Institute costing Rs. 4·5 lakhs was completed during the year.

1148. Equipment worth Rs. 4·00 lakhs was provided to various sections of the Institute.

Library.

1149. A sum of Rs. 15,000 has been so far spent for equipping the library.

1150. Out of a total sum of Rs. 1,88,100 provided in the budget, a sum of Rs. 1,16,256 was spent during the year.

Sm. L. V. Occupational Institute, Hassan.

1151. The number of students that were admitted to the First Year Classes was 112, bringing the total strength of the Institute to 224.

1152. The number of Government Scholarships awarded during the year was 42, and the number of Free-ships 42 1/2.

Grant.

1153. A grant of Rs. 1,80,000 was sanctioned for recurring and non-recurring charges during the year.

1154. So far, equipment worth about Rs. 4·7 lakhs was purchased.

1155. The new institute building at a cost of Rs. 5 lakhs was in progress.

1156. The library of the institute is equipped with 1,000 volumes.

Occupational Institute, Chintamani.

1157. The strength of the institute was 109.

1158. The work of the construction of the permanent building at an estimated cost of Rs. 1,25,000 was under progress during the year.

1159. A sum of Rs. 50,000 was sanctioned for the current year under equipment.

C. P. C. Occupational Institute, Mysore.

1160. The Occupational Institute at Mysore started with the following five courses from the year 1954-55:—

1. Architectural Draughtsmanship and Village and Town Planning.
2. Electrical Engineering (General).
3. Mechanical Engineering (Automobile Engineering).
4. Mechanical Engineering (General).
5. Mechanical Engineering (Watch and Clock-making).

1161. The number of students admitted to the four courses was 120.

1162. The Institute is still in its infant stage and in the process of building up.

Rayalaseema Polytechnic, Bellary.

1163. The Institution offered training during the year in the following courses : —

Diploma Courses.

1. Civil Engineering.

Certificate Courses.

1. General Mechanics.
2. Carpentry and cabinet-making.
3. Blacksmithy.
4. Electric Wireman.
5. Auto-Driver Mechanics.

1164. The Diploma Course in Civil Engineering and Certificate courses in Electrical Wiring and Auto Driver Mechanic were brought under the Mysore Scheme. The first year Diploma class in Civil Engineering and the first Artisan courses in Auto-Driver Mechanics and Electric Wireman were brought under the Mysore Scheme. In respect of the other classes in the above courses and also in respect of the other certificate, *viz.*, Carpentry and Cabinet Making, General Mechanics and Blacksmithy, the Madras Scheme was followed.

1165. In accordance with the Madras Government Order, 70 scholarships were awarded.